TWICE A WEEK

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NECK AND NECK FOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Vics Defeat the Thistles on the Home Ice by a Score of 3-2.

The largest crowd that ever assembled in the Victoria rink witnessed the hockey match last Saturday night. The result was a great surprise as well as a bitter disappointment to the many supporters of the team as well as the team itself. The result was due chiefly to three things: The bad condition of the ice; Thistles out of practice; and over-confidence on their part. Over-confidence will wreck any cause. A man may be more brilliant than his neighbors, but if he thinks that his cleverness will carry him through without industry he will find in the long run that he has made a tremendous mistake, and that some plodding Dutchman, with half his ability, but with great capacity for work will arise to trample him down. The Thistles had decidedly the best of the play all the way through, as the puck was in Winnipeg territory nearly the whole time, but the splendid work of the Vics' defence saved their team time and time again. The old saying, "Practice makes perfect," proved itself in Saturday night's game. The Vics put up a far better game than they did in the match in Winnipeg.

While our boys started out at a good pace, and although the ice was rather heavy they stood it well the first half. However, toward the end of the game they seemed to tire out. In the practices they never keep a pace up long enough to make themselves able to stand a good hard match. Another thing, the team has not played together since their return from Winnipeg until Saturday night, and consequently were not in very good form.

The Thistles are now even with the Victorias, each having 8 wins and 2 losses, and another game will have to be played, likely in the Winnipeg Auditorium. Our boys have still a good chance for the championship if they all get out and practice together, as they are all good skaters and splendid stick handlers. If the ice is in good condition we are not at all afraid of the final result.

At 9:20 the teams lined up as follows:

Victorias		Rat Portage
Oleson	Goal	Dulmage
Benson	Point	Swinford
Fairchilds	Cover Point	Phillips
Cadham	Forwards	Hooper
Robinson		McGimsie
Marshall		Fraser
Boswell		Hilliard

Umpires—R. Flett and G. Toole.

F. W. Bole, of Winnipeg, acted as referee.

The game opened with a rush on the Vics' goal which was checked by Benson, who lifted to centre ice. Phillips secured and sent the puck whizzing down toward the visitors' goal again. An offside was made and Marshall got away and made a pretty run, but was met by Phillips, who checked and made a long lift on goal. The rubber was then sent to centre ice and Fraser secured and made a good rush, but was not able to score, Oleson making a splendid stop. A lot of centre play followed, and playing was very even until Cadham secured and made a pretty run, and after some hot checking the Vics scored. Time 13 minutes.

The Thistles now began to rush things and McGimsie and Fraser took the puck right down to the Vics' goal, but Benson stopped and lifted to centre ice. Phillips then made a good run and sent in a swift shot, but Benson again stopped and sent the disc to centre ice. After this the puck was kept at the Vics' goal nearly all the time, until Cadham secured and after taking it down nearly the whole length of the rink, passed to Marshall who scored again for the Vics. Time, 15 minutes.

About two minutes later the bell sounded for half time, with the score 2-0 in favor of the Vics.

After half time both teams came on the ice looking very determined. After the face off the puck was immediately taken to Winnipeg territory and shot after shot was put in but none succeeded in reaching the net until after a mix-up, when the puck was sent out and Hooper made a shot which Oleson failed to stop. Time 10 min.

The next game followed for Rat Portage two minutes later. After a face-off Fraser secured and led up to goal but was checked by Benson who sent the disc away down to the other end of the rink. Phillips made another good lift on goal but was well stopped by Benson. McGimsie got the puck and after considerable dodging, passed to Hilliard, who made the prettiest play of the evening and scored goal No. 2 for Rat Portage.

The score was now even and both teams were working like Trojans for the winning goal. The puck was kept in Winnipeg territory and it seemed hard luck that our boys were unable to score. Marshall got a clean lead on the goal and sent in a shot but Fred was there who fired the puck into center ice. Then play was continued around the Vic.'s goal but the splendid work of Benson and Oleson prevented the puck from again reaching the net. Another good rush by Cadham and the visitors had scored the winning goal. Time 14 min.

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For the visiting team the defence

Puckerings.

It wasn't a whitewash any way boys.

Between 1000 and 1100 people were present at Saturday night's match.

Another cheap rate to Winnipeg is anticipated when the hockey boys go in. The Shamrocks are to give two or three exhibiton games with the Sr. Vics and Winnipegs, likely on Friday, Saturday and Monday, and if the Thistle's game could be arranged some time around there we would have a chance of seeing what the world's champions can do.

The standing of the Intermediate Hockey league now is as follows:

Team	Won	Lost	To play
Rat Portage	8	2	0
Victorias	8	2	0
Portage la Prairie	6	4	0
Brandon	4	5	1
Winnipegs	2	6	2
Carberry	0	9	1

Portage la Prairie defeated the Winnipegs of Winnipeg by a score of 6 to 5. The game was a very close and interesting one throughout.

The staff of THE MINER has got the hockey fever and are desirous of inoculating The News staff with a few pointers on the game and are willing to put up the oysters and things if they can't do it.

The Crown Point Mine.

Messrs. R. H. Ahn and R. C. Le Vesconte, soliciton, who were in Rat Portage last week have succeeded in settling nearly all claims against the Crown Point Mining Co. In another column they are advertising for any claims that have been over looked to be sent in at once. As soon as all these matters are cleared up a new company will take hold of the Crown Point mine and push development in a systematic manner. The mill on the property will be used for testing purposes as the work progresses. The Crown Point is said to be a splendid property and we are glad to learn that it will soon be in operation again.

CANADA'S MINERAL OUTPUT FOR 1899

Gold		$ 21,200,437
Silver	ozs. 3,078,437	1,834,371
Copper	lbs. 15,078,475	2,655,319
Coal	tons 5,046,508	9,992,080

ONTARIO'S MINERAL PRODUCTION FOR YEAR 1899.

Gold	$ 423,978
Nickel	520,104
Copper	176,237
Silver	65,575

OUR LETTER BOX.

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We are arranging for special correspondents in all the mining camps of Western Ontario who will co-operate to make this column of practical use to subscribers.

D. F., St. Paul, Minn.—No work is being done on this property.

M. H., Detroit, Mich.—Not working. Expected to start in a short time.

H. C., Logansport, Indiana.—Not working. May start in a couple of weeks. Have several claims. One shaft over 300 feet deep with good machinery.

J. L. S., Columbus, Ohio.—See the answer to H. C., Logansport, Indiana.

With the Mining Public

J. J. Walsh, of Port Arthur has disposed of a gold claim on Sabawe to a Boston company, who have already a gang of men at work.

Work of testing the Atikokan iron range steadily progresses. Two holes have been bored through the mountain of ore and a test is now being made to ascertain the depth of ore. So far as can be learned the tests are proving satisfactory. Rails of the Canadian Northern are now laid from Port Arthur to the range.

Messrs. D. Matheson, J. Sutherland and A. Graham, late of the Mikado, left for Greenwood, B.C., yesterday.

The shaft at the Big Master mine is now down about 90 feet, and cross-cutting has been commenced, the idea being to strike a small vein a few feet away. Mr. Simpson, the manager, has returned to the mine.

The Wabigoon Star says it learns from a reliable source that negotiations are just about completed for the transfer of the Barker mine, in the Lower Manitou, and the Diana, adjoining the Barker to the north, to a wealthy English syndicate, who would make these operations the commencement of exploiting the Rainy River district gold fields on a large scale. The Barker mine enjoys a splendid reputation, and we are pleased to learn that there is a prospect of operations being started again.

The new nickel refinery of Canadian Copper Co., at Sudbury, has been blown in and working satisfactorily. It employs 75 men, and refines matte

HAD THE MINE ASSAYED

Col Westerner Writes to a Friend Giving His opinion of his Assayer.

Tigerville, So Dak.

mi dere frend

I desire to call yore attenshun to the fact that ive had the Lizzie mine assayed. She stood it without a murmur.

The man thot done the assayin is a gradcowate frum the state brame konservatory on iss reely quite intelligunt.

That iss in the echoin corridor of his own mind. Noone else ever accused him of knowin anything.

His hed iss a dented affare that any man orter be proud to own. It iss sumthing that any man orter point to with pardonable pride an say wats inside thiss iss all mine thanks be to heaven as no one else wud carry it around.

He iss one of them kind of men that iss goin to meet with a great disappointment sum day. When he wanders up the flume an knocks for admittance to the place where they make them sulphur matches like snuff the boss of the works will peak over the gate and say.

Wats yore business.

Assayer willicum the ausir.

Pass on then stranger his satanic niblets will say.

Yuve raised tao much of our kind of climate on erth to be trusted here.

That the kind of man that assayer iss.

But ime wanderin frum mi subject.

I went ovur on one of Lizzies beetlin cliffs an attempted to pry loose sum rock. To mi embarrassment i slipped an fell on mi fate an may be compelled to go to town to have renervated wat evur that means. Howsumever i got sum rock off trum Lizzie an sent it to that assayer.

Here iss the letter i received frum him.

Jerkwatervil, So Dak.

Frend Wilyum: Yore rock run about the following figgers:

Gold	nit
Silver	nit
Soda	slight trace
Hemitight	a trifle
Other material	sum
Alcohol	one hundred percent

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For the visiting team the defence men deserve the most praise. They were a strong trio and each man played his position well. Oleson in goal played a splendid game and stopped many shots that appeared to be sure winners. Benson at point played a great game and was well supported by Fairchilds, both lifting and checking in good style. Marshall and Cadham played well and made many good rushes, the other forwards showing up well at times. Marshall was a star.

For the home team Phillips and Hilliard were stars of the brightest kind. Phillips played the strongest game he ever played at cover, and is improving every match. Like Wallace at Falkirk, he swept from point to point striking dismay into the hearts of his opponents and sending them back like broken stubble before an autumn wind. Hilliard also played an admirable game, good and fast and correct: at almost every point he got the best of his opponent. The heavy ice did not appear to bother him in the least and he played as speedy and effective a wing game as has ever been witnessed here. It was no fault of his that the game was lost. Hooper had a hard man to play against, but succeeded in scoring the first goal for the home team. If Tom would only tackle his man as he used to do on the first school team, Cadham or any other opponent would find it hard to make a showing. He is a heavy check and a most dashing forward if he would only use his powers judiciously. The ice was too heavy for Fraser and McGimsie to make their usual brilliant plays, but both worked hard. Swinford was not in as good form as usual owing to lack of practice and poor health, but played a strong game. Dulmage was not in his customary condition, but then Dulmage is generally such a star that perhaps too much is expected of him.

After the game the visitors were entertained by the home team, at a supper in the Hilliard House. The Citizens' Band rendered stirring music, and among the vocalists were R. Fisher and our Mascott Willie Archaumbault. Among the speakers were R. Flett, M. Flett, and "Tony" Gingras, of the Senior Vics., and Messrs. Bunn, Cadham, Phillips, Jackson and Referee Bole. A very enthusiastic and large party were present, and the entertainment lacked nothing.

The games were scored as follows:—

Goal.	Team.	Time.
1	Victorias	13 min
2	Victorias	15 min
	Second Half.	
3	Rat Portage	13 min
4	Rat Portage	2 min
5	Victorias	14 min

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Pig Iron	808,157
Mica	38,000
Petroleum Products	1,747,252

A Sad Case.

Winnipeg Tribune: R. Powers was charged with being drunk at the police station, and his wife for being drunk on the street. While in an intoxicated condition on saturday, Mrs. Powers who was on her way from Montreal to the Pacific coast, left the train at Rat Portage, and the husband came forward with the only child. Mrs. Powers was arrested in Rat Portage and brought to the city yesterday. Her face was all scarred from the effects of a fall she sustained when leaving the train as above mentioned. Both prisoners pleaded a first offence, and the man was very anxious to get forward today. On advice of the medical health officer, Dr. Douglas, the woman, who had evidently been taking quinine and bromide, as quantities were found in her valise, was ordered to the hospital, and Powers was allowed to go under suspended sentence. Mrs. Powers is an M.D. The child is 15 months old.

Winnipeg Soldier Weds.

Halifax, March 3.—The Elder-Dempster steamer Louisiana arrived this morning with seventeen invalided soldiers from South Africa. Among them are E. Sherman Dandy and wife, of Winnipeg. Mr. Dandy fell in love with a concert singer while he sojourned in London and married her. Dandy was a member of a troop of "B" squadron, in the second contingent. The western invalided men will leave for home Monday afternoon.

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Chas. Brent, M.A., M.E., left last evening for Montreal to attend the annual meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute, to be held in that city this week. Mr. Brent will read a paper before the association relative to mining this district.

A Good Idea.

A mechanic's fertile imagination has evolved a machine for boring shafts and a large drill based upon his idea is now being tried in the Joplin lead district. The idea is a valuable one and the time is not far distant when this idea will be reflected in shaft drilling machinery.—While mechanical difficulties may be too great to make such a machine bore a shaft of full working dimensions, yet it may be so devised that a number of smaller drills may work in harmony and make the sinking of the whole shaft possible.

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It an't no use to arger with a man like that.

They won't listen to reason as reason is sumthing that they asseshiate with obsolete matters.

I thot sumthing of ritin an axin him if he cud appreshiate sourcasm. If he cud fer to beleave me wen i sayed he was an intelligent human bein. But i was afeerd he wudent grasp mi meanin.

If i meat him ile mingle with his person in sich a manner that the koroner will expearence sum difficulty in findit enuff of his remains to refer to at the request.

But enuff of the asstyer.

The pines are talking to themselves outside an mi candle is burnin low. Sometimes at this hour of nite i feel peniive and sad. I feal creepin over me a desire to burst into song and sing in sad an dulset strains.

But wats the use.

It only turns the world agin yu and yu git up the mornin with a feverish intelleck and a tast in your mouth that makes you think of the reputashun yu enjoyed rnnng your friends kick home.

Well mi tired frend i will say fatewell,
How swete it iss to slumber an
Beneath the blankets kurl yore toes,
And ease yore tired worn out brane,
Bisno in blank verse thro yore nose.
Yores up to his eyes in content.

Col Bill Westerner.

P S—I don't like to menshun it but wud yu jes as soon male me that thirty cents yu borrowed last fall. It wud fill me with gratefull sirprise. Jum jes out of smoksin terbacker. Forgive mi frend if I get-pussonal. B.W.

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With this issue we commence the publication of THE MINER twice a week. It will give our readers the news quicker and be of more direct benefit to our advertisers. In a short time the size of the paper will be considerably increased. The subscription price will remain the same.

CANADA AND THE STEEL TRUST.

American Mining News: While Great Britain is alarmed about the formation of the mammoth steel trust, our neighbors across the border are congratulating themselves upon Canada's coming supremacy in iron. The cue was given a few days ago by A. J. Moxham, general manager of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co., of Sydney, C. B., in an address to the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at Toronto. After a careful survey of the situation, Mr. Moxham declared that Canada is destined to become the greatest iron and steel producing country in the world.

This surprising statement was supported by a masterly array of facts and figures. Mr. Moxham showed that at Sydney iron and steel can be manufactured at less cost than anywhere else. The cost of making iron is divided into expense for labor and expense for material. The cost of labor is a constant quantity, being practically the same in all districts. It is the assembling of the coke, ore and limestone that is the variable item of expenses. Mr. Moxham figured out that the cost of assembling the necessary materials for making a ton of pig metal at Pittsburg is $3.25. The cost for assembling the same materials at Sydney is 79½ cents per ton.

This is the lowest assemblage cost in the world. Pittsburg has hitherto enjoyed this distinction. Now, Sydney claims the honor, and the difference in favor of Sydney is enormous, $3.25 against 79½ cents, a difference of $2.45½. But this is not the whole story of Sydney's advantages. After the iron is produced at Pittsburg it has to be thorized a contribution of 5-18th of an estimated cost of £1,700,000. Tenders called since then bring the cost of the cable up to two million pounds. This sum the British government is willing to advance and parliament will be asked to authorize the government to pay 4 per cent. per year on Canada's share of 5-18ths of the two millions. The additional interest charge to Canada is about $16,000 a year.

The showing of the railroad system of New Zealand, the famous Socialist colony, is a most remarkable one and leads the premier of that colony to say that he does not see why the railroads of Canada should not be successfully run by the government. The railroad systems of New Zealand, all of which are under government control, embrace about 2000 miles of track, built at a cost of $80,000,000. The cash revenue for the year amounted to $7,000,000 and the expenditure to $5,000,000. It is the aim of Premier Seddon to give the best service at the lowest cost and to make the rates of fare as low as possible and run the road at a profit.

Lord's Day Alliance

At a meeting of the Lord's Day Alliance, held last Friday in the parlors of Knox Church, Rat Portage, the manner of Sunday observance was freely discussed. The principal grievance appears to be the action of the hotel and saloon keepers in keeping their bar-rooms open for the sale of intoxicating liquors on the Sabbath, and incidentally the infraction of the Liquor License Act in the non observance of the early closing on Saturday night.

It was stated by those who appeared to know, that the liquor men of Rat Portage were in the habit of maintaining their bars open at all hours of the day and night and for this purpose had bar-tenders especially employed on the night service. It is the custom of the Alliance to use moral suasion as much as possible and a committee of the Reverends Rochester, Morgan, Keevel and Mr. J. E. Bird was appointed to interview the various liquor dealers, with the object of getting them to enter into a mutual agreement to observe strictly the provisions of the liquor license act, and with plenary powers to take such steps as will more amply assure the proper observance of the Lord's Day and the provisions of the Liquor License Act, in default of co-operation from the liquor men.

It is to be hoped that satisfactory arrangements are made so that all the bar-rooms in town may close their business at the proper statutory hour.

Other matters were discussed and the meeting was adjourned until the 1st Monday in April when [illegible]

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Nor is this the whole story. According to Mr. Moxham, the materials for making iron are more favorably located at Sault Ste. Marie than at Pittsburg. He makes the difference $1.28 per ton of pig iron in favor of the Soo. Again, he sees a future for the iron industry of the part of Ontario east of Toronto, and he thinks British Columbia will before long have an iron industry of its own.

While Mr. Moxham may be somewhat enthusiastic over the future of Cape Breton, there is enough in his presentment to set our iron and steel men thinking. Sydney is only 2,000 miles away from Swansea, Wales, and there is already serious talk of establishing a line of steamships to make the trip between the two seaports in 7½ days. Besides its revolutionary effect on trans-Atlantic passenger traffic, such a service would have a stimulating effect on the iron and steel industry of Canada. It would mean also a wonderful development of the great natural resources of the Dominion and help the Empire to maintain its grip on the metal trades of the world.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The latest definition of a trust is: a body of men surrounded by water.

It is stated that the Boer war is costing Great Britain $650 a minute. That's more expensive than betting on a favorite hockey team.

The total expenditure by the Canadian Government on all the Canadian contingents to South Africa to the end of the fiscal year on the 30th of June last is given by the auditor-general at $1,129,358.60.

The Postmaster-General has given notice of a resolution providing for Canada's share in the increased cost of the Pacific cable. The act of 1899 authorizes such steps as will more amply assure the proper observance of the Lord's Day and the provisions of the Liquor License Act, in default of co-operation from the liquor men.

It is to be hoped that satisfactory arrangements are made so that all the bar-rooms in town may close their business at the proper statutory hour.

Other matters were discussed and the meeting was adjourned until the 1st Monday in April, when a meeting will be held in the basement of the Zion Methodist Church.

Complaints were made of certain noisy hockey-playing on Laurenson's Creek on Sunday afternoon, which should be put a stop to.

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Under the caption, "Mining Successes that were not all Luck," the February issue of Success contains an article by Robert Mackay on the discovery of the great Comstock property. The way the four great partners got together is interestingly told:

Just beyond "the divide," two men kept a store. They were James L. Flood and William O'Brien. They had saved some money after a few years of trading with the miners, were ready for a deal in one of the mines, and had faith in Mackay and Fair. So when Mackay walked into their store one morning, and remarked, "Jim Flood, if you and O'Brien will put up the money, Fair and I will put up the brains, and I think the four of us can buy the 'Con' Virginia and make something out of it."

"How much do you want' John?" said Flood.

"Eighty thousand dollars."

The deal was closed on the spot. The history of the "Con" Virginia is as well known, almost, as the story of Washington and the cherry tree. Before the four miners had struck the "lead," they had exhausted their money and their credit it the rock they brought out of the earth. Other miners met them day after day and laughed at their apparently hopeless task. They were jeered and made fun of. But they kept serious faces and sober minds, and were not to be thwarted by the idle talk of idlers.

One morning, when the prospect seemed blackest, a friend said to Mackay:

"John, luck has gone against you; why don't you quit and go prospecting?"

"The man who figures on luck in mining," said Mackay, "is a fool; the man who figures on doing a lot of hard work and not losing his grit will get something."

The four partners did not lose their grit, nor did they rely on luck. One afternoon the rumor spread over Virginia City that the "'Con' Virginia men" had struck a body of ore. It spread as wildfire often swept over the Nevada prairies. The four men left their mine at sundown and walked down C street amid a babel of cheers. The next morning, the Consolidated Virginia stock had gone from 80c to $250 a share, and in another day up to $500 a share. In three days it was announced that the body of rock was so large that its value could not be estimated. In two weeks the United States government was negotiating with the owners of the mine for the redemption of bonds whose values had been effected by the Civil war. In two months the financial centers of old Europe had felt the shock, and about the same time Mackay, Flood, Fair and O'Brien were able to announce that they were millionaires beyond the dreams of avarice.

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MATT. 13: 44-46.

In current religious literature we have had under discussion the greatest thing in the world, the first, and the last thing in the world. The theme of Jesus' address when he used these two parables was, "The Kingdom of Heaven, The Best Thing in the World."

By the kingdom of heaven He means the kingdom as it is within men. True, that kingdom in the world is broader, larger, more beneficent than any earthly rule. In the narrower sense, however, Jesus regards it, namely, as it is in the heart of man, religion in the soul. He is quite personal about the matter. The kingdom of heaven is something for each man to seek, and personally to appropriate. It cannot be obtained otherwise. Once having secured this object of his quest a man may say he has the highest good, to him has come the best thing in the world. Never man spake like Christ. No form of address could be more happy, apt, persuasive, impressive than this. "The kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field." This is the first comparison instituted. Modern research tells us that Palestine and adjacent countries are lands holding vast treasure. Cities are being recovered from the earth where for centuries they have lain buried. These yield with themselves the treasure they have carried, treasure of art, of literature, of gold and silver. Workmen in these parts not infreqfiently stumble upon rich deposits of man's hiding. "Not a year passed," said an alien resident of Palestine, "but I heard of such discoveries." In the time of the Mutiny in India British soldiers unearthed at one place in money more than a million and a half dollars, and other valuables in the form of plate, etc., to the amount of five million dollars. Give a man but an inkling that treasure lies accessible, within possible reach, and he is ready to sacrifice all he now possesses for the increase it promises. The pearl is next singled out by the Great Teacher to serve the purpose of conveying the thought of value. In those days it was the best known and most valued gem. It was as the diamond, that world of light, is today. Pearls of almost fabulous value were known to the, world then. A famous one that has figured in an-

There is unceasing interchange of rise and fall, and fortunes are being made or lost accordingly. Values are not here fixed. Circumstances in part explain this phenomenon of business life. Deterioration of the merchandise may also occasion change. There is, from whatever cause, a lack of constancy in values in the business world. The kingdom of heaven is always and everywhere the same. There need never be a panic in the market of Christianity.

3. That its worth is eternal may be added. Everything else has its day, its little day. "Their little kingdoms have their day; they have their day and cease to be." A metal, a method, a theory, a force is retired by a competitor. Aluminum may replace steel, electricity steam, compressed air electricity, etc. The new pushes the old off the scene. It is a legal fiction that the king never dies. Yet the king actually dies, and the voice that proclaims his decease declares his successor, "The king is dead. Long live the king." It is not fiction but a fact that the kingdom occupies its place and retains its worth forever. These facts of worth cannot be declared of aught else. Madam Bubble is wrong when she says, "I am mistress of this world and men are made happy by me." The kingdom of heaven is the highest good. Jesus the King, is the dispenser of true happiness. Instituting no further comparison we may well say this kingdom is better than rubies, and all the things that can be desired are not to be compared unto her.

These parables convey the idea of the terms upon which the kingdom of heaven may be obtained. One phase of Christ's teaching suggests that there are no terms of purchase, that this benefit is free to all. His kingdom is set forth as a kingdom of grace, for the poor, for those who have "no wealth, no merit, no consciousness of desert, no pride of virtue." It is also set forth as a kingdom for every one. Freeness and catholicity seem in this view of it, to be the outstanding features. The heralding of the kingdom is to men glad tidings of great joy. Features that to appearance are distinctly the opposite are suggested by these parables. The kingdom is purchased, not given away. Here as elsewhere in Christ's teaching we may see that things seemingly contradictory are both true. In the parable of the great supper, the real consistency of these seeming opposites is exhibited. The feast is spread at the expense of the host, and the invitation is to come freely. But the man who would comply with that request and partake of the supper must deny himself business, and pleasure, and gain for the hour. In the freeness of the Gospel let us not lose sight of the rigorous demands of the kingdom. Co-

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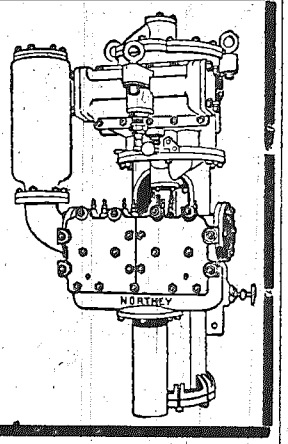

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In such manner does Jesus set forth the incomparable worth of the kingdom of heaven. Beside it all else seems comparatively worthless. That note of surpassing worth sounds all through the teachings of Christ. In the parable of the rich fool, having pictured the man's disappointment and sad end, He says, "So is he that heapeth up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God"; and from His lips too fell those impressive words of question, "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

He does not explain in what consists the pricelessness of the kingdom. He simply declares it, and His assertion in this regard is so frequent and emphatic that it becomes us all to look into the matter. Are they who treat the kingdom of heaven with indifference, as a matter of little worth, right? or is Jesus right? Are not too many of us taking things for granted, and making thus egregious and irreparable blunders? If we enquire into these things the Spirit of God will be our teacher, and open our eyes to behold wondrous things. These things of general character may be said concerning the preciousness of the kingdom:—

1. It has intrinsic worth. Its riches do not exist in mind. It is not valuation that is here spoken of, but value; not appraisement by a prejudiced mind, but a fact is declared. The kingdom of heaven has real, not fictitious worth.

2. Its value is constant. Fluctuation in values marks all commerce. able of the great supper, the real consistency of these seeming opposites is exhibited. The feast is spread at the expense of the host, and the invitation is to come freely. But the man who would comply with that request and partake of the supper must deny himself business, and pleasure, and gain for the hour. In the freeness of the Gospel let us not lose sight of the rigorous demands of the kingdom. Considering cost we may say,—

1. The kingdom costs us all we have. Those who wish to have the kingdom must pay for it. The king's demands are exacting. "So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be My disciple." The kingdom of heaven has strange power of displacement and expulsion. Its coming in is by the outgoing of all that is inconsistent with it. The fishermen of Galilee paid boats and nets, and Saul the persecutor laid down the price of legal righteousness, system of faith, and worldly ambition for the kingdom. In the pearl man's market, as described by Bunyan, purchasers are represented as emptying their pockets of all before even they secure anything. We must needs sell all to buy the field and the gem.

2. It costs some men more than others. This is because they have more. The young man went away from Christ exceeding sorrowful for he had great possessions. The price for him was greater than for his poorer fellows. Seeking to present it in another light the words of a modern prophet may happily be used, "Human nature is lofty and headstrong in you, and it will cost you far more suffering to be mortified and sanctified than it costs the ordinary run of men."

3. It costs to retain the kingdom. Crises arise where a wrong choice may mean the loss of all that has been obtained. There must needs be constancy in self-denial, and fixedness of choice. Eternal vigilance is the price by which we keep the kingdom. We may not, as the man leaning over the vessel's side, juggle with the diamond. One unexpected lurch, and the priceless gem may be lost.

4. And yet all is gladly paid. If we pay all for the kingdom we get better in return. Hence the absurdity of lamentation over sacrifice. A good bargain in any realm is always a source of satisfaction. The good is inferior to the better. This gladness, this joy in selling all is explained in the words of Christ, "And every one that hath forsaken all for my name's sake shall receive an hundred fold and shall inherit everlasting life." Let us not think this too good news to be true that the kingdom of heaven may be ours, nor yet be content with goodly things despising the best. We do well to heed the counsel given a Scotch housewife by her faithful pastor, "Houses, lands, credit, honor may all be lost if heaven is won. See that Gardiness and you buy the field where the treasure is. Sell all and buy that field."

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Items of Local Interest

Dan. Hyland of Port Hyland, Minn., states that there is a large influx of settlers into the region west of Rainy River through which the Canadian Northern railway runs.

G. A. Graham, manager of the Rainy River Navigation Co. left for the east Friday last. He will visit Toronto, New York and other cities.

Geo. Dulmage has entirely recovered from his recent illness and has resumed his duties at the freight office. —Fort William Times Journal.

The family of Levi Pritchard, Fort William, had a narrow escape from being asphyxiated by coal gas one night last week.

All the many friends of Mrs. Alan Sullivan (nee Hees) will be glad to welcome her to town. She arrives tomorrow, and will be the guest of her mother, Mrs. George Hees, of St. George street, for a few weeks.—Toronto Mail.

At the annual meeting of the Ontario Land Surveyors held in Toronto last week Jno. McAree of this town was elected a member of the council, as was also A. Longheed of Port Arthur.

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permanent residence there as Mr. Patterson has secured an important government position, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson will be missed by a large number of friends.

Crown Attorney Langford who has been ill for some days, is improving.

Dr. MacDonell is in a very weak condition to day.

Mrs A.S. Horswill, accompanied by her youngest daughter, Louise, has gone on a visit to her parents, in Selkirk, Man.

The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a sale of useful and fancy articles at the house of Mrs. Brydon, March 8th, from 3 to 10 p.m. Tea will be served.

G.P. Phillips made a trip to the Sultana mine yesterday, facing the biting wind on the return journey.

Rheumatic Warped Limbs

Mrs. H. Wills, Chesley, Ont., says:—"My boy was all crippled up with rheumatism. Although we doctored, he was in this way for about one year, and the pain was terrible. Reading of many cases where Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills had cured rheumatism, we got a box. Before they were half gone he began to improve, and is now quite well. I am very glad to recommend them to others." One pill a dose, 25 cents a box.

District News.

Even the winter climate of Algoma must have got a move on. Forty years ago our judge on the bench and court officials used to dilate in mournful numbers over "the miseries of this modern Siberia," (and the plucky hardy jurymen would snicker for months at "them Sue officials.") Now we see on every hand, eloquent praise of "this grand winter climate," and New Yorkers speak of it as "a beautiful winter resort."—Soo Pioneer.

Mr. Allan McDougall, police magistrate of Fort William, has just made a round of the joints and dives on and off the new railway. The net he threw out is said to have contained many victims in its meshes. At one place twenty-one men and five women were given a taste of the law as administered by Magistrate McDougall, who has the reputation of making law-breakers pay heavy for their misdeeds.—Port Arthur Herald.

The Port Arthur Herald says there is a bright outlook for a building boom in that town the coming summer. One architect states that he has already prepared plans for several business blocks and dwellings.

Port Arthur Hockey Club leads Fort William in the local league by four wins to one.

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I know a deputy chief in Montreal!—a fine fellow. To him has been only one wife, but, oh, so many pretty children, one at a time, twins, triples even. Now there are twenty-nine. All alive!"

Mr. Cote is thinking seriously of an algebraical formula to make statistics easy. He will simply raise the Quebec birth rate to the n'th power and let it go at that.

FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

385 men pass through Rat Portage Saturday night for the Constabulary.

On Saturday night a special train passed through having on board 385 men for the South African constabulary. They were giving a good reception at the station. They are a fine looking and most capable body of men and will no doubt make their presence felt in South Africa. They are men of magnificent physique and high intelligence.

Sergant Meiville who is well known and popular here, was in charge of the Winnipeg division, consisting of 131 men. A large number of Mr. Meiville's friends were at the station to shake his hand and give him all manner of good wishes on his departure for the front.

They were four men on the train from Rat Portage, who were giving a hearty send off. They were: J. A. Cooper, C. Bobyener, W. Wood and H. Panet. Mr. Panet, who is a veterinary surgeon will most probably receive promotion in a short time.

There were on the train 246 recruits from the following points:—61 from Calgary, 20 from Prince Albert, 26 from Macleod, 17 from Pincher Creek, 8 from Leithbidge, 40 from Regina, 30 from Moosomin and 44 from Portage la Prairie. These were joined here by 139 who had enlisted in Winnipeg, bringing the number up to 385.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

Items of Interest From All Over the World.

The sum of $1,000,000 will be set apart for the improvement of Ontario's highways.

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The Hudson's Bay Co. has purchased H. M. S. Pelican from the British admiralty, for service in northern Canadian waters.

The British steamer Indiana and the German liner, Washington, col-

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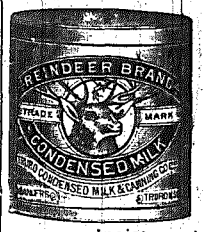

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Two cars of western recruits for the Baden-Powell Constabulary in South Africa, passed through Sunday night.

There was only a few armfuls of wood left in the shed and the weather of Saturday night was real mild, but the blow nigh killed poor father Sunday and yesterday.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trade was announced for last night, but for lack of a quorum no meeting was held.

Rev. W. M. Rochester leaves to-night for Ft. William to attend the meeting of the District Presbytery.

Judge Chapple returned from the east this morning.

Principal Preston of the public schools was indisposed yesterday.

Dr. Hanson left for Winnipeg yesterday. He will take in the Sousa band concerts.

Angus McLean, R. Quinlan and M. Guerin, of the Mikado, are in town.

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William M. Evarts, a noted American lawyer, statesman and scholar, died in New York on Friday last. He was secretary of state under president Hayes.

The legislature of Nova Scotia is putting through a bill officially recognizing the trailing Arbutus, or Mayflower as the official flower of the province. It grows to perfection and in profusion in all her wild lands, and was adopted by her first settlers.

It is probable that Mr. Mulock, postmaster-general will go to Australia in the place of Premier Laurier.

The Pope Celebrated his 91st birthday on Saturday last. He is said to be in marvelous health and to show no signs of diminishing vigor.

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Mrs. Hill, a lady who lives in Elora, boarded the train at Shelburne and her proposed destination was Detroit, but when the train was between Woodbridge and Weston she gave birth to a little girl. There was, fortunately, a doctor on the train and Dr. Elliott attended the lady at the Union Station and ordered her removal to the Emergency Hospital, where she was taken in the police ambulance, and mother and child are doing splendidly.

THE CENSUS.

How Quebec by Its Families Is Rapidly Increasing.

We hope the census commissioner for West Algoma will be able to enter upon his important duties in the spirit of the same official from Quebec, thus described by the Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Star:

Mr. Cote, known generally as "Handsome Tom," dropped into the press gallery today. Mr. Cote is an experienced newspaper man, and we look up to him as having a big corner both in beauty and brains. At present he is French census commissioner, and will see to it that Quebec's birthright—I mean birth rate—does not suffer. He says the outlook in Quebec is passing cheerful.

"Families!" exclaims Mr. Cote, with an eloquent shrug, "I find them everywhere — ten, fifteen, twenty-six, twenty-eight. C'est grand! C'est magnifique! For instance there is that good citizen of Komouraska village, the baker Vaillancourt, who has had two wives and thirty-seven children. Thirty-three of them alive and appear in my book. Twenty-nine of them are sons. They are all good Liberals and vote for Mr. Carroll. This is the smash record—what you call it?—record-smashed."

"Quebec," continued Mr. Cote, "has many, many children. Every day there will be more. I count them so fast as I can, but my pencil is tired. It will be happy day for me when it is March 31st. Then will Quebec take her place—the mother and father of nations. Ah, so much encouragement!

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